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DAILY TRIBUNE.

Monday Morning, Oct. 26, 1857.

Sale Extra Tribune.

We have printed an edition of the TRIBUNE this morning, containing all the published testimony before the Coroner's Jury, up to Saturday night, besides other particulars and including yesterday the great fire.

They will be found for sale at McNally's News Depot, and at Andrews' at Clark street.

The Press will embrace all the news contained in this morning's TRIBUNE. Citizens desirous of having friends abroad, to whom they have sent an account of the fire, will look anxious for the intelligence to reach its mysterious cause.

Gen. A. F. Foreworth.

We are gratified to announce that Hon. J. F. Foreworth is much better and hopes are entertained of his speedy recovery. A consultation of his partner in this city on Saturday morning that the swelling in his foot had been arrested and his physician had pronounced him out of danger.

The Railroad Convention.

The convention of ticket-agents which was in session at the Tremont House last week, adjourned Saturday evening. The last day's labors were not a very burensome one, and closed without a full settlement of the matter before them, will another meeting has to be held. It was found to be no easy task to reconcile the differing elements of the different lines of road, so as to make them work together. The principal bone of interest to the public in their proceedings, is the adoption of a passenger fare rates about 1½ per cent. higher than the old rates; and unless a future meeting shall determine otherwise, runners or touting agents of roads will be discharged.

A General Holiday.

On Wm. H. Davis' Dials has the unusual number of twenty-five clocks, all of which will be wound up at 12 o'clock, and your number there for the purpose of regulating the time of day. Wishing to do a little business in drawing wheels, I remain, Respectfully, Your obedient servant, H. S. DAVIS.

Chicago, Oct. 26th, 1857.

Forwarding, &c.

Toledo, Cleveland & Chicago.

THE FOLLOWING STEAMERS ARE NOW PLYING:

BALTIC,	Capt. Fox.
CANADIAN,	Capt. Moore.
CANONDAIGUA,	Capt. Wilson.
CITY OF BUFFALO,	Capt. Lee.
CITY OF CHICAGO,	Capt. Kelley.
CITY OF DETROIT,	Capt. Dickinson.
CITY OF MACKINAW,	Capt. Davis.
CLEVELAND,	Capt. Moore.
KENOSHA,	Capt. Hale.

NEW YORK CENTRAL RAIL ROAD.

TRUNK AND WESTERN LINE.

CLEVELAND, TITUSVILLE & CHICAGO.

THE STEAMERS ARE AT SEA, IN THE TRUNK LINE, ON THE LAKE, AND ON THE RIVER.

Chicago, Oct. 26, 1857.

C. R. R. R. Co.

1857.

North Shore Line Route.

DETROIT AND BUFFALO.

THE NEW AND MAGNIFICENT STEAMERS

PLYMOUTH ROCK,

WESTERN WORLD,

J. V. BRADY.

MISSISSIPPI,

R. G. LAMB.

Chicago, Oct. 26, 1857.

American Transportation

CAPITAL.

Incorporated under the laws of Illinois.

THIS COMPANY IS PREPARED TO TAKE CARGOES

Property from NEW YORK, ALBANY or BUFFALO, on the Lakes Erie and Michigan, or any Ports on the Lakes Erie and Michigan, to any Port or Place in the Lake Ports to The Ocean, at the lowest Market Rates of Freight, and will make Insurance, the Directors deem it advisable, with the assurance that every exertion will be used promptly to effect business.

FRANKLIN LEE, President.
WELLS D. WALDRIDGE, Secretary.
J. G. RYANS, Superintendent.

Chicago, Oct. 26, 1857.

HALE & CO.

Agents.

C. B. & Q.

FAST FREIGHT LINE

ARE NOW PREPARED TO TAKE FREIGHT promptly with dispatch from

New York, Boston and Troy

TO

CHICAGO, ST. LOUIS, ALTON, MEMPHIS AND NEW ORLEANS

BURLINGTON, KEOKUK, QUINCY, ST. JOSEPH AND DAVENPORT.

GALENA, DUBUQUE, BURLINGTON, MILWAUKEE.

Sheet Iron.

Sheet Iron.

Saratoga Springs!

Sheets! Sheets!

Sheet Iron.

Important Developments!

ORIGIN OF THE GREAT FIRE.

The testimony taken before the coroner's jury on Saturday is significant. The place where the fire originated is pretty well ascertained to have been in the *second story*. The testimony of Policeman THOMAS is, that about half past three in the morning he heard the cry of fire and ran across Clark street bridge towards the place of alarm. He met women running past him, from out of the building. He ran up stairs and kicked in a door on the second floor when the flames met him. He ran up to the third floor, but saw no fire there and then hurried back to the street to make his escape from the building as the walls were then tumbling down.

But the most important testimony of all was that given by policeman FOX, which does not appear, for some reason, in the report furnished for the papers. FOX's beat was on the North Side. He was near the bridge when the first alarm was given. He ran south on Clark street to the alley in the rear of the burning block, between the buildings on South Water and Lake. At the moment he got there he saw a man with his head out of a window in the second story, letting a woman down the wall. He held her by the hands and reached down as far as possible, and then let her drop to the ground the rest of the distance. When she struck she rolled over, but jumped up quickly and ran out of the alley past FOX, down Clark street towards the bridge, and at South Water turned west. She was very thinly clothed.

The man at the window, in less than a minute after dropping out the first girl, pushed another "lady" out of the same window, holding on to her hands, and lowering her down as far as he could reach, and then letting her drop. She alighted on her feet, sprang up and ran past FOX in the same direction the other female took. She, too, was almost naked.

While this was going on, the fire and smoke was bursting out of a window in the same story, not ten feet distant. The man withdrew his head and disappeared inside the room, immediately after getting his paramours safely out of the building. FOX then ran a few steps north on Clark street, to rouse up a friend who was sleeping in the St. Charles saloon. He says he can identify one of the women, if she can be found, as he has seen her at the Police Court, but does not know her name.

This testimony, taken in connection with that sworn to by officer THOMAS, that he saw the fire in the second story, and not above or below it, establishes pretty conclusively that, it had its origin in the second story, either in Trewworth's clothing store, or in the "vacant room" adjoining, about which so much has been said. And this testimony is further strengthened by the report, current among all the courtesans in the city, that there were two young men and two "ladies," spending the night in a carousal, in the second story of DUNHAM's building; that they went into

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No. 51 CLARK STREET.

CITY OF CHICAGO.

Monday Morning.....Oct. 26, 1857.

The Bank Bank Paper.

There is not a sensible man in the United States, whose opinions on questions of Finance are worth a great, who is in favor of going back, unconditionally and suddenly, to an exclusive Specie Currency. Bank and Bank Paper have so long been a part of the commercial and financial machinery of the country, that their agency cannot at once be dispensed with, without changes in the comparative conditions of individuals and classes, to which the masses would not be inclined to submit. But, at the same time, there is not a farmer, whose opinions are founded on facts and the legitimate deductions therefrom, who does not know that to the abuses of the banking system—to the unnecessary and impolitic issue of bank paper—the revulsions to which the commerce and industry of the country are periodically subjected, are mainly due; that the question of the Currency underlies at this time all other questions of a purely economical nature; and that it must first be settled, upon the proper basis, before we can hope to be relieved of the apprehension of a recurrence of a disaster like that now upon us. In short, there is among all classes an intelligent conviction that some method must be derived by which bank issues may be kept within the proper and legitimate wants of the proper and legitimate business of the country; or the word "permanent" must come to be applied either to wealth, commerce or industrial pursuits in all the Western world.

Our readers have had to look at facts before them, to have their opinions formed upon the same model, if, indeed, they are not already convinced. In the year 1843—six years after the revulsion of 1837, when trade first began to revive, the entire bank circulation of the United States was less than sixty millions of dollars.—

Our readers will remember that period. Railroads had not been generally introduced, means of locomotion and transit were few and rude, industry was the rule—men in those days had to work for what they got—prices were low, speculation were little pursued, and, in the opinion of men generally and women—they wanted more and consumed less than they now do—particularly, the times were hard. But the country was, in spite of all the grumbling, really prosperous and eminently happy. Could we have continued in the channel in which we were then sailing, we might not have had all the collisions that are now terminating their stockholders; we should have had fewer splendid mansions, a less number of magnificent equipages, a more quiet and more chrisdian way of living, than we have now; but the country would have been comparatively free from debt, wholly free from the wreck that now burdens her, and would have been morally, politically, socially and religiously, twenty years in advance of the present time. Mind, we do not take 1843 as the type of our ideal "good times;" but only as representing the condition of things out of which a season of uninterrupted prosperity might have grown. But, as always has been the case, no sooner did we begin to recover from the effect of one crash than we began to prepare for bringing on another. In that year the banks commenced to expand, cautiously at first, but ruinously and recklessly at last—until, in June of the current year, when, it is thought, their circulation was little if any short of *three hundred millions of dollars!* Of course, with this increase of paper money, our apparent prosperity kept equal pace. At last it reached a point at which almost every man imagined himself a prince, in resources and expenditure if not actually in birth. Money or its representative—bank credits—was within any man's reach; and speculation ran mad. We have no need to go out of Chicago to see its effects. Lands and lots rose to enormous and purely imaginary values. Men were rich in the possession of what, five years ago, would hardly have been given away. Palatial residences sprang up as if by magic, and were furnished with fabulous magnificence. Society became luxurious and wasteful to a degree utterly subversive of good sense and good morals. Our markets were the best in the world for the most costly articles of food, and the Gentlemen for the finest wines of France, the choicest tobacco of Cuba and the Philippine Islands, and all the gewgaws that could be collected from the four ends of the earth. Salaries and wages, under the extraordinary stimulus, rose with everything else; and even the clerks and apprentices became Sybarites in manner, and took an imaginary Croesus in wealth. The greater part of all this was due to the increase of paper money. The multiplication of the sum total of the currency, by a large multiplier, multiplied everything else, industry and the like virtues excepted.—There is a great gap between the forty millions afloat in 1843, and the three hundred millions of 1857, into which all our present troubles can be traced.

For two years past, everybody has known that the legitimate end of things was inevitable; and not had; but few suspected the quarter from which the blow was to come which would break the whole glittering fabric to pieces. Now, everybody sees it. The banks locked themselves up, though too late, by their own circulars, and began to contract. They are gradually after the three hundred millions with yearly drive others. They are in a comfortable condition; they want help or bad or the worst. Confidence was destroyed in a single month, and, here we are. Property has large, by depreciated, and will still go lower. The aggregate of indebtedness is so far out of the proceeds of sales made on a falling market, and thousands who imagine that they are strong, will, before the year is over, be forced to go to the wall.

Now the question is, "Shall the country run the same round again; or will our banks, aided by their deliberations by the merchants and manufacturers of the country, devise some means by which a like run and a like catastrophe may be avoided in the future?" We shall hold, that there is a good starting point, and no one can be bad in 1843, shall we again be made the victims of gaseous zeal, fanaticism, and bring up with a round turn in another depression, or shall we so lay the foundations of prosperity that we shall not be again pained by the sensitive nerve that is now thrumming down the last man in our midst? Shall the banks' power to issue unlimited quantities of paper money be restricted? and if so, how? That's the question.

Mass Meeting in Favor.

The Philadelphia Public Ledger, fully endorsed the Republican and patriotic of the Daily Tribune that city have been transferred to it. The Ledger, we now see, which will give the Republicans an active, zealous organ. The Ledger is moderately Democratic, but very conservative—being the organ of the wholesale and shipping interest. The Ledger of the Republican, both in the establishment. The Gazette will be continued, but its political tone will be in the future. The Republican paper is English, and one is German are shortly among the publications. We hope a Review can maintain well-nigh place.

The Quincy Republican thinks the truth of the report, that it and the Whig are about uniting; but adds that it would be well if they were consolidated; both sound Republican will make and paper of the north-side Whig. The minds of newspaper men are inclined, these days, to be fickle.

Iowa Stable at Fire.

The good people of Fort Iowa just arrived a number of fine stallions on board, as we, the stable of Mr. Ira Ford, on the Lake Shore, at least half two hours before the conflagration. The stable was built of brick, and was one of the best in the city. Mr. Ford had just received a fine lot of horses, and had just completed a large stock of hay, and had just taken a large quantity of grain. The loss is very heavy, and we understand it is only one-half covered by insurance.

Amusement Bills in Demand.

An attempt to secure was made yesterday morning by the Sheriff, to have the Amusement Bills of the Dwight Place, and other, which were posted on the fence of the Dwight Place, and other, which were posted on the fence of the Dwight Place, and other, which were posted on the fence

Special Notices.

Notice.—The subscriber is about to retire from business, and will close up the business of the late firm of Ward, Hopkins, Bassford & Co., as rapidly as possible. Parties indebted will please call and settle their respective accounts. Those having claims against the firm will please present them for settlement. The business will be continued by the undersigned, at the old stand, under the firm name of Ward, Hopkins & Co., for the settlement of the business of the late firm. Chicago, Oct. 1, 1857.

E. A. WARD.
J. HOPKINS.
J. H. BASSFORD.

Chicago, Oct. 1, 1857.

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E. A. WARD.
J. HOPKINS.
J. H. BASSFORD.

Notice.—Having this day purchased the interest of Mr. Bassford in the firm of Ward, Hopkins, Bassford & Co., we shall continue the business of the late firm, at the old stand, under the firm name of Ward, Hopkins & Co., for the settlement of the business of the late firm. Parties having claims against the late firm will please present them for settlement, and those indebted will please call and settle their respective accounts.

E. A. WARD.
J. HOPKINS.

Chicago, Oct. 1, 1857.

Notice.—Having this day purchased the interest of Mr. Ward in the firm of Ward, Hopkins, Bassford & Co., we shall continue the business of the late firm, at the old stand, under the firm name of Ward, Hopkins & Co., for the settlement of the business of the late firm. Parties having claims against the late firm will please present them for settlement, and those indebted will please call and settle their respective accounts.

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TRIBUNE EXTRA.

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ORIGINAL DEMOCRATIC TESTIMONY

Legal Notices.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, Cook County, ss.
Jonas R. Crosby et al. vs. Wm. Ogden et al.
C. C. Parker et al. vs. Same.
C. C. Parker et al. vs. Same.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN ... [illegible]

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

DEFAULT HAVING BEEN MADE IN ... [illegible]
JOHN W. BAKER, Trustee.

MASTER'S SALE.
Cook County Court of Common Pleas.
John Graham and Rufus Allen, vs. Lorenzo Norton and others.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN ... [illegible]
JAMES C. PAINE PRICE, Master in Chancery, Cook County.

MORTGAGE SALE.

DEFAULT HAVING BEEN MADE IN ... [illegible]

MORTGAGE SALE.

WHEREAS CHARLES J. KERSHAW ... [illegible]

Mortgagee's Sale of Real Estate.
OFFERED IN DUPAGE COUNTY.
At the Court House in Chicago, on the Second Day of November, A. D. 1857.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO JAMES ... [illegible]

Real Estate for Sale.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAIL ROAD.
LANDS FOR SALE.
THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD ... [illegible]

Fine Residence Property
OR MOST FAVORABLE TERMS.
THE UNDERSIGNED IS NOW PREPARED ... [illegible]

A Rare Chance
FOR INVESTMENT IN RIVER FRONT ... [illegible]

HYDE PARK.
FOR SALE, BEAUTIFULLY SITUATED ... [illegible]

A BEAUTIFUL PARK.
Bounding 1,000 fronting on the shore, with ... [illegible]

Cleaverville.
LOTS FOR SALE, BEAUTIFULLY SITUATED ... [illegible]

Hyde Park Property.
35 ACRES OF LAND, BEAUTIFULLY ... [illegible]

For Sale:
SOUTH WATER STREET LOTS,
FIFTY FEET FRONT,
Opposite the Museum in Chicago.
Apply to EDWIN I. TINKHAM & CO.

Portland Syrups.
300 BBLS. HEAVY BOILED PORTLAND SYRUPS in store and for sale ... [illegible]

Medicines, &c.

ONE DOLLAR.
WILL BUY
ONE OF THE BEST PURGATIVE AND ALTERATIVE MEDICINES ... [illegible]

SANFORD'S LIVER INVIGORATOR.
Dr. Sanford's Invigorator.
Come to me crowded as a cure for Liver Complaint ... [illegible]
Price, One Dollar per Bottle.
SANFORD & DEALE, Proprietors, 482 Broadway, New York.
Wholesale Agents in Chicago—FARNSTOCK & DAVIS, 100 Lake street.
For sale Locally—J. WOOD & CO. 2:11-6m

JOB PUBLISHER.
THE UNFORTUNATE'S GUIDE, GIVING ... [illegible]

DR. HURRELL'S
MEDICAL INFIRMARY,
85 RANDOLPH STREET, 85
Opposite the Revere Hotel.
TO YOUNG MEN AND OTHERS.—NERVOUS Debility and Chronic Diseases, the first and ... [illegible]

Chicago Paper Depot,
NO. 48 SOUTH STREET.
BUTLER & HUNT HAVE NOW ON hand the following ... [illegible]

Notice to Railroad Co.'s and Contractors.
SPECIAL CONTRACTS WILL BE MADE by the undersigned ... [illegible]

Boots, Shoes, & Rubbers.

PARKS & MILLIGAN.
WHOLESALE DEALERS IN AND MANUFACTURERS OF ALL KINDS AND STYLES ... [illegible]

Whipple, Alley & Billings,
BOOTS AND SHOES,
161 South Water Street.
WOULD CALL THE ATTENTION OF ... [illegible]
NEW GOODS
SPRING TRADE.
CASH AND SHORT TIME.
S. H. WHIPPLE, Chicago.
ALLEY & BILLINGS, Detroit, Mich.

Hawson, Barlett & Co.,
BOOTS AND SHOES,
Manufacturers and Wholesale Dealers, ... [illegible]

Undertakers.
Sextons and Undertakers,
HAVEN HAND, AT ALL TIMES, EVERY ... [illegible]

Railroads.

Going East.

Michigan Central Railroad.
Change of Time, June 1, 1857.
CHICAGO AND GARADA BROAD GUAGE RAILROAD. The only route passing over the Great Central Track of Canada. [illegible]

Illinois Central Railroad.
HYDE PARK SPECIAL TRAIN.
ON AND AFTER MONDAY, MAY 4, THE Hyde Park Train will run as follows—leaving the Illinois Central Depot, foot of Lake street:
Going to Hyde Park. Leaving Hyde Park.
8:00 A.M. ... 8:30 A.M.
12:00 M. ... 12:30 P.M.
3:00 P.M. ... 3:30 P.M.
5:00 P.M. ... 5:30 P.M.
Fare each way, 10c.
Commutation tickets may be had by application to the Company's Ticket Office, at the Depot, foot of Lake street. No half fare tickets or Family Tickets are used on this Road.
R. P. WARD, Agent.
Office in Depot, foot of Lake street.
Chas. Clark A.G. Water st.

FARE FROM CHICAGO TO LOUISVILLE ONLY $7.
New Albany and Salem Railroad,
FOR NEW ALBANY, LOUISVILLE, LEXINGTON and Points ... [illegible]

MICHIGAN CENTRAL AND
Great Western, Canada, Railway.
Change of Time, Oct. 19, 1857.
GREAT CENTRAL U. S. MAIL ROUTE. ... [illegible]

Eating Your Grand Dubuque Railroad line
BETWEEN CHICAGO AND THE EAST.
Fare as Low as Any Other Route.
TRAINS LEAVE DEPOT, CORNER VAN BUREN STREET, DAILY, AS FOLLOWS:
6:00, A.M. | 8:45, P.M.
Making direct connections ... [illegible]

BOWN'S
Premium Eliptic Spring Bed,
IN PRESENTING TO THE PUBLIC ONE of the most valuable and useful, and, at the same time, ... [illegible]

Pittsburg, Fort Wayne & Chicago
RAILROAD.
THE NEW AND DIRECT ROUTE, NOW ... [illegible]

Pennsylvania Central Railroad.
THE GREAT CENTRAL ROUTE, CONNECTING ... [illegible]

Going Southwest.

St. Louis, Alton & Chicago R. R.
WINTER ARRANGEMENT—OCT. 19, 1857.
AIR-LINE ROUTE FROM CHICAGO TO ST. LOUIS. ... [illegible]

Mich. Southern & Lake Shore R. R.
WINTER ARRANGEMENT.
... [illegible]

Going West.

Illinois Central Railroad.
FOR ST. LOUIS, ALTON, LEAVENWORTH, ... [illegible]

Chicago, St. Paul & Fon du Lac R'y
... [illegible]

Insurance.

FARMERS' & MECHANICS' INSURANCE CO., OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.
(Fire and Marine.)
Capital ... $1,250,000.
DIRECTORS.
Hon. Thos. B. Florence, Charles Dingle,
Edward Y. Middleton, Richard S. Reinhardt,
Hon. Thos. Cunningham, Joseph Ridgway,
James M. Scott, Joseph C. Cassidy,
Hon. JOHN M. READ, President.
WM. MCMURTRIE, Secretary.
This Company has complied with the Illinois Insurance Law.
Risks taken on Hulls, Cargoes, and Merchandise generally, and losses paid by
R. P. WARD, Agent,
Office in Dodge's Block, 100 Lake street.
Cap. Clark A.G. Water st.

THE GREAT WESTERN INSURANCE COMPANY,
CHICAGO, ILL.
Authorized Capital ... $50,000
Paid in Cash and Securities ... 50,000
OFFICE, NO. 102 SOUTH WATER ST., IN FOSDICK'S BUILDING.
DIRECTORS.
James H. Rice, Wm. Ogden, Sheff. Stewart,
Jas. M. Scott, Jas. Y. Scammon, A. H. Corbett,
N. P. Ingersoll, C. G. Ferguson, Thos. Lonergan.
OFFICERS.
James H. Rice, President. Henry Booth, Actuary.
Sheff. Stewart, V. President. H. W. Hammond, Secy.
N. P. Ingersoll, Sec. & Treas. C. G. Ferguson, Marine Sec.
The above Company, being now fully organized under a Charter from the Legislature of this State, is prepared to take risks against fire or damage by Fire on Buildings, Merchandise, Furniture and other insurable property.
J. A. DUNNE, Agent.

MARINE AND FIRE INSURANCE.
THE OLD ESTABLISHED
NORTH-WESTERN INSURANCE COMPANY,
OF OSWEGO,
HAVE REMOVED THEIR OFFICE TO
126 South Water Street,
Where Capt. J. DORCHESTER will be happy to meet his friends.
Policies issued in the above and other reliable Insurance Companies, on first class Marine and Fire Risks, at lowest rates, by
MERRELL, MASON & CO.,
Agents.

HOWARD FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE CO.
OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.
Capital ... $200,000
Cash Capital ... $98,791.57
Aggregate Capital (including surplus) December 31st, 1856, $698,791.57.
FRANCIS H. FUHR, Pres't. | G. H. WORKMAN, Vice Pres't.
R. T. KERR, Treasurer. | C. E. WOOD, Secretary.
This Company, having complied with the Law of Illinois, are now prepared to underwrite Fire and Marine Risks, on favorable terms.
Insurance effected on Buildings, Merchandise, Furniture, Live Stock, Vessels and Cargo; and Property by Railroad, Lakes and Rivers, liberal terms.
LORENZO CROWELL, Agent,
Office in Dodge's Block, No. 100 Lake street.

Commission Merchants.

PRODUCE AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS, ... [illegible]

KANEY & KELLEY & CO.
COMMISSION AND FORWARDING MERCHANTS, ... [illegible]

KEYES, KELLEY & CO.
COMMISSION AND FORWARDING MERCHANTS, ... [illegible]

J. H. BURMAN & CO.,
WHOLESALE GROCERS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS, ... [illegible]

HALL, ENGLISH & HENDERSON,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS, STORAGE AND FORWARDING ... [illegible]

NEELY & KIDNEY,
Commission Merchants,
PRODUCE COMMISSION MERCHANTS, ... [illegible]

EWING, BRIGGS & CO.,
WHOLESALE GROCERS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS, No. 8 River street, Chicago.
Wm. T. Ewing & Co., Chicago. | Ogden Briggs, New York.
... [illegible]

WALLS, CHAPPELL & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS, No. 16 River street, Chicago, Ill.

CHAPPELL & WALLS,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS, No. 12 Pine street, St. Louis, Mo.

JAMES PEARSON & CO.,
FORWARDING AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS, Office 142 Water street, Chicago, Ill.
Refer to Ogden, Preston & Co., C. Q. & R. R. R. Chicago; A. T. Hall, Treasurer C. Q. & R. R. Chicago; L. Wright, Sup. Ill. Central R. R. Chicago; Hon. Thos. Dyer, Sup. Michigan Central R. R. Detroit; Hon. Thos. Cunningham, Philadelphia; Stuart & Sanford, New York; Hon. Thos. B. Florence, Philadelphia. ... [illegible]

D. HORNBY,
PRODUCE AND COMMISSION MERCHANT; Dealer in all kinds of Flour, and Feed, and Agent for the sale of Prairie Land. Office 102 Lake street, Chicago, Ill.
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Commission Merchant, No. 1 Dearborn Block, Chicago.
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Commission Merchants,
23 Kinzie Street, opposite Foster House, Chicago, Ill.
PARTICULAR ATTENTION GIVEN TO the sale of Produce, Provisions, Lumber, Lime, Lath, Shingles, &c. Advances made on consignments. ... [illegible]

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No. 13 CENTRAL STREET, BUFFALO, NEW YORK.
Agent for the sale of
VERMONT ROOFING SLATE,
Which will make a Fire-Proof Roof.
Also, Agent for the sale of the celebrated
Chas. T. Cox, Cedar Impregnated Tacks, Boston.
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1857.
JAMES PECK & CO.,
STEAM ELEVATOR AND VESSEL OWNERS.
Produce, Commission & Forwarding Merchants,
DEALERS IN SALT, WATER LIME, FIRE BRICK AND COAL.
CONSIGNED TO THE OLD OSWEGO LINE ... [illegible]

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HIRAM BURRELL. | C. C. BURRELL.
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BROWN & HANSILL,
SUCCESSORS TO BROWN & CHAPMAN,
PRODUCE AND GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS; Office and Store, Front street, one door west of the G. & C. U. R. R. North side; having received the entire business of the late firm of Brown & Chapman, we are prepared to make cash sales on Commission of all kinds of Produce, Wool, Lead, Lime, Lumber from Green River, Lime from Milwaukee, and to procuring freights or securing vessels at reasonable rates.
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Chicago, April 1st, 1857. ... [illegible]

Hardware, Machinery &c.

The Troy Iron and Nail Factory.
M. McDOWELL, AGENT,
NO. 102 & 104 SOUTH WATER STREET, CHICAGO,
ARE PREPARED TO EXECUTE ORDERS for Iron and Nails, at the manufacturers prices, at wholesale. These Shops are manufactured on Henry Burden's patent machinery, and are the best in use. Orders promptly attended to, without the delay of being sent to Troy. ... [illegible]

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Over Dodge's Block, 100 Lake street,
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Means of Premium reduced on payment of strictly mutual and healthy.
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Chartered Capital ... $300,000
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Life Insurance Company,
ONE OF THE OLDEST AND SAFEST Companies in the country, is prepared to take risks at the office of the undersigned.
This Company has a
Net Surplus Capital of $1,500,000.
Its business is conducted exclusively to the
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And it is prompt in the payment of Losses.
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Life and Fire Insurance Agency,
No. 4 MASONIC TEMPLE.
CONNECTICUT MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, Hartford, Conn. Incorporated 1846.
Capital ... $2,250,000.
WM. D. SMITH, Agent.
No. 4 Masonic Temple.

ROGER WILLIAMS INSURANCE CO.
PROVIDENCE, R. I.
Capital ... $150,000.
A. C. Morse, E. F. Jackson, Wm. P. Atwell,
Chas. Pecker, Jos. Wanzell, G. S. Anthony,
Chas. Dyer, Jr., Jos. Dyer, Jr., Jos. Dyer,
Jos. Dyer, Wm. Sprague, Jr., Jos. Dyer, 2d, Wm. H. Horton,
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Cash Capital $200,000—Safely Invested.
INSURANCE AGAINST LOSS BY FIRE ... [illegible]

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Northern Transportation Co.,
THIS COMPANY IS PREPARED TO ... [illegible]

HALE & CO.,
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1857.
North Shore Line Steamers.
DETROIT AND BUFFALO.
THE NEW AND MAGNIFICENT STEAMERS PLYMOUTH ROCK, WESTERN WORLD, and MISSISSIPPI, ... [illegible]

1857.
Humphrey & Williams,
COLLINS, HUMPHREY & CO.,
Produce Commission Merchants,
No. 120 South Water street, cor. Wells,
CHICAGO, ILL.
A. S. HUMPHREY. | A. S. WILLIAMS.
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1857
OLD OSWEGO LINE.
Cheapest and Quickest Route to New York.
THIS WELL KNOWN AND RELIABLE Transportation Line ... [illegible]

1857.
S. S. BALL & CO.,
FORWARDING AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
Dealers in all kinds of
PRODUCE, SALT, WATER LIME, PLASTER, ... [illegible]

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COMMISSION & FORWARDING
FORWARDING AND
Commission Merchants
ALL KINDS OF PRODUCE,
PROVISIONS, LUMBER, &C.
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General Agents for Manufacturers,
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Corner of Clark and Huron, North side. Sign of the Big Brass Collar.
A GOOD ASSORTMENT OF COUNTING House Desks constantly on hand.
Every style of Desk made to order.
Perfect satisfaction given or no pay.
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CHICAGO, ILLS.
THE LARGEST STOCK AND BEST ASSORTMENT OF
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PIANO FORTES,
with and opposite to equity of any manufactory and durability, to all others. Prices same as sold at N. Hutchings' ... [illegible]

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CARRIAGE, WAGON AND PLOW MANUFACTORY, 13 and 15 West Randolph street.
Where are now prepared to furnish all articles in our line with the greatest despatch.
Every article warranted equal to any manufactured in the city, that shows ... [illegible]

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Two hundred and twelve Dollars! Democracy in one lesson! Two ... [illegible]

1857.
American Transportation Line.
CAPITAL ... $1,000,000.
Incorporated under the Laws of the State of Illinois.
THIS COMPANY IS PREPARED TO ... [illegible]

1857.
J. W. Bass & Co.
STORAGE, FORWARDING AND
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
S. Pratt, Minneapolis.
EYRAMBOUT & ...
Agents I. C. R. R.; Agent for Steamers.
... [illegible]

1857
The Western Transportation Line.
Incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois.
CASH CAPITAL ... $1,000,000.
P. L. STURGISS, Pres't. | W. ... Sec'y.
GEO. H. BRYANT, Sec'y.
THE COMPANY HAVE ... [illegible]

Valentine Freight Company
FAST FREIGHT
ARE NOW PREPARED TO ... [illegible]

New-York and Boston.
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Removal.
S. W. RAYNOR & SON,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
HAS REMOVED FROM 171-173 WATER street to 167 Front, Nos. 3 and 5 Exchange ... [illegible]

Saratoga Springs
Congress & Empire
... [illegible]

Morris' Line
NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.
... [illegible]

Parkville & Grand Haven
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN ... [illegible]

Sandusky, Cleveland & Cincinnati
THE FOLLOWING ... [illegible]

Sandusky, Dayton & Cincinnati
... [illegible]

Sandusky, Mansfield & Newark
... [illegible]

Cleveland, Columbus & Cincinnati
... [illegible]

Cleveland, Pittsburgh & Ashtabula
... [illegible]

Cleveland, Columbus & Cincinnati
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TRIBUNE EXTRA.

Chicago, Monday Morning, Oct. 26, 1857.

New Extra Tribune

are printed to-morrow of the TRIBUNE containing all the published testimony before the Coroner's Jury, up to Saturday, besides other particulars and incidents concerning the great fire.

Will be found for sale at McNally's Hotel, and at Andrews' at Clark street.

Extra will embrace all the news of this morning's TRIBUNE. Citizens who are abroad, to whom they have sent copies of the fire, will look anxious for them in regard to the mysterious cause.

The Railroad Convention

Agents of third-agents, which was held at the Tremont House last week, closed yesterday evening. The last day's session had very much more one, and seemed to be a full settlement of the matter. It was found in the morning that there was no end to the easy task to get the conflicting elements of the different roads, and to make them work together. The general lines of interest to be discussed, is the adoption of the rate since 1857 per cent. of the old rates; and unless a future time shall determine otherwise, rumsellers of roads will be discharged, and others shelved.

A General Insolvency

W. Byron—Dear Sir: The undersigned have printed a circular, in which we have stated that we shall be ready to pay our creditors in full, on Tuesday, Oct. 27, at the Tremont House, in Judge Drummond's Court room, at 10 o'clock, A. M. We have now ready for the creditors, a statement of our affairs, which we will be pleased to have you publish in your paper. Yours, respectfully, C. G. Hamilton & Co., Chicago, Oct. 24, 1857.

FRANKLIN LEE, President.
WILLIAM B. WARREN, Treasurer.
J. G. STARR, Secretary.

NEW YORK ADVERTISEMENTS.

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No. 51 CLARK STREET.

CITY OF CHICAGO.

Monday Morning.....Oct. 26, 1857.

The Bank Paper.

There is not a sensible man in the United States, whose opinions on questions of Finance are worth a great, who is in favor of going back, unconditionally and suddenly, to an exclusive Specie Currency. Banks and Bank Paper have so long been a part of the commercial and financial machinery of the country, that their agency cannot at once be dispensed with, without changes in the comparative conditions of individuals and classes, to which the masses would not be inclined to submit. But, at the same time, there is not a financier, whose opinions are founded on facts and the legitimate deductions therefrom, who does not know that to the abuses of the banking system—to the unnecessary and impolitic issues of bank paper—the revulsions to which the commerce and industry of the country are periodically subjected, are mainly due; that the question of the Currency underlies at this time all other questions of a purely economical nature; and that it must first be settled, upon the proper basis, before we can hope to be relieved of the apprehension of a recurrence of a disaster like that now upon us. In short, there is among all classes an intelligent conviction that some method must be devised by which bank issues may be kept within the proper and legitimate wants of the proper and legitimate business of the country; or the word "permanent" must cease to be applied either to wealth, commerce or industrial pursuits in all the Western world.

Our readers have but to look at facts before them, to have their opinions formed upon the same model, if, indeed, they are not already convinced. In the year 1845—six years after the revulsion of 1837, when trade first began to revive, the entire bank circulation of the United States was less than *sixty millions* of dollars.—Our readers well remember that period. Railroads had not been generally introduced, means of locomotion and transit were few and rude, industry was the rule—men in those days had to work for what they got—prices were low, speculations were little pursued, and, in the opinion of many generally and women, they worked more and consumed less than they now do—particularly, the times were hard. But the country was, in spite of all the grumbling, really prosperous and eminently happy. Could we have continued in the channel in which we were then sailing, we might not have had all the railroads that are now tormenting their stockholders; we should have had fewer splendid mansions, a less number of magnificent equipages, a more quiet and more christian way of living, than we have now; but the country would have been comparatively free from debt, wholly free from the wreck that now burdens her, and would have been morally, politically, socially and religiously, twenty years in advance of the present time. Mind, we do not take 1845 as the type of our ideal "good times;" but only as representing the condition of things out of which a season of uninterrupted prosperity might have grown. But, as always has been the case, no sooner did we begin to recover from the effect of one crash than we began to prepare for bringing on another. In that year the banks commenced to expand, cautiously at first, but ruinously and recklessly at last—until, in June of the current year, when, it is thought, their circulation was little if any short of *three hundred millions of dollars!* Of course, with this increase of paper money, our *apparent* prosperity kept equal pace. At last it reached a point in which almost every man imagined himself a prince, in resources and expenditure, if not actually in birth. Money or its representative—bank credits—was within any man's reach; and speculation ran mad. We have no need to go out of Chicago to see its effects. Lands and lots rose to enormous and purely imaginary values. Men were rich in the possession of what, five years ago, could hardly have been given away. Palatial residences sprang up as if by magic, and were furnished with fabulous magnificence. Society became luxurious and wasteful to a degree utterly subversive of good sense and good morals. Our markets were the best in the world for the most costly fabrics of the looms and workshops of England and the Continent, for the finest wines of France, the choicest tobacco of Cuba and the Philippine Islands, and all the gewgaws that could be collected from the four ends of the earth—under the stimulus of the extraordinary stimulus, rose with everything—clerks and apprentices became Sybarites in manner, and cash an imaginary Crœsus in wealth. The greater part of all this was due to the increase of paper money. The multiplication of the sum total of the currency, by a large multiplier, multiplied everything else, industry and the like virtues excepted.—There is a great gap between the sixty millions of dollars in 1845, and the three hundred millions of 1857, into which all our present troubles can be traced.

For two years past, everybody has known that the late condition of things was unreal and could not last; but few suspected the quarter from which the blow was to come which would knock the whole glittering fabric to pieces. Now, everybody can see. The banks became alarmed, though too late, by their own excesses, and began to contract. They are grabbing after the three hundred millions with convulsive efforts. They are in a condition to help nobody; they want help as bad as the worst. Confidence was destroyed in a single month; and here we are. Property has largely depreciated, and will still go lower. An enormous aggregate of indebtedness is to be paid out of the proceeds of sales made on a falling market, and thousands, who imagine that they are strong, will, before the pressure is over, be forced to go to the wall.

Now the question is, "Shall the country run the same round again; or will our banks, aided in their deliberations by the merchants and manufacturers of the country, devise some means by which a like race and a like catastrophe may be avoided in the future?" We shall have another period of depression—that's inevitable; but when we attain a good starting point—such as one as we had in 1843, shall we again be made the victims of generous confidence, and bring up with a round turn in another dozen years, or shall we so lay the foundations of prosperity that we shall not be again pelted by the merciless storm that is now knocking down the best men in our midst? Shall the banks' power to issue unlimited amounts of paper money be sustained? and if so, how? That's the question.

More Newspaper Fusion.

The Philadelphia *Press* has fully espoused the Republican side of politics. Thereupon the subscription and patronage of the *Daily Times* of that city have been transferred to it. The two papers are now one, which will give the Republicans an active, zealous organ. The *North American* is moderately Republican, but very conservative—being the organ of the holders and shipping interest. The *Sponger* is independent, with Republican sympathies, partially expressed.

The *Dubuque Tribune* and *Republican* have been united into one establishment. The fusion is a judicious one, both in a political and financial aspect. G. C. Fixer, Esq., will be the chief editor of the consolidated paper. He is an able and vigorous writer. There are still two Republican papers in Dubuque published in the English language—the *Times* and *Tribune*—both one in German. One Republican paper in English and one in German are exactly enough for Dubuque. We hope a further consolidation will take place.

The *Quincy Republican* denies the truth of the report, that it and the *Whig* are about uniting; admits that it would be well if they were consolidated; their mutual interests will make a paper of the union ere long. The number of newspapers must be reduced, these hard times.

Soap Making at Paris.

The good people of Paris have just solved a problem of some interest to them, to wit; the price of the fabled rain of coal beneath at a distance which will not prevent its profitable working. It was struck by the Mining Company, a few days ago, at a depth of 245 feet from the surface. The Company been at work more than a year on that, and we are glad to announce its success.

Kansas Constitutional Convention.

Constitutional Convention convenes to-day, and be several committees will be ready. It is difficult to divine whether the instrument, when formed, will be submitted to the people. One prominent reason which tells against submitting it to the people is the agitation of the slavery question by them. The Convention will, perhaps, submit it to the people in all, under the Lecompton Bogus.

[Correspondence of the Chicago Tribune.]

WEST URBANA, CHAMPAIGN CO., Oct. 23, 1857.

Wheat is selling here at from 40 to 45 and 50 cents, though I notice the newspapers (?) printed in this town report prices 5 cents higher. These rates are operating with severity on the producer, who is compelled to pay debts incurred when wheat and other articles ruled very high, by the proceeds of a crop sold at the bottom of the market. As a consequence, the farmer who pays debts made three or six months since with wheat at 50 cents per bushel, is virtually paying twice the amount of his indebtedness. To be sure, many of our larger farmers, one Sullivant, one Harris, one Curtis, and others, altogether in independent circumstances, have holding over, either in the stack or in store, for better prices, but the majority sell at ruling rates.

These low rates have already reduced the winter wheat crop of this year's sowing, and there is not more than half as many acres in wheat now as at the same time last year. This I know to be true of Champaign county, and I am inclined to believe the like affect has been produced over the whole State.

That some has been well put in, and the favorable weather this fall has pushed it along beautifully, and there never was a prospect of a better wheat crop, at this season of the year, than our winter crop now presents, there is no doubt. The severe lessons of last year have had a salutary influence.

The corn crop in this county is beyond all former parallel as to quantity, which is true of all the State of Illinois as well, and it is not offensive than once in five years the yield per acre is so large. The seed crop, which does not succeed oftener than once in five years, has done very well this year. The first frosts of the season came on the 19th and 20th instants, and cut everything down to the ground, but found no crop to damage. I do not see how farmers will be able to command above 12, 15, or 18 cents for this years corn crop. You may count on 24 hogs, fat cattle for a couple of years to come, at least that portion of hogs and cattle raised in this part of Illinois.

You will conclude, of course, that business is dull here, and it is so, though prices of real estate are still kept up, and buyers are by no means scarce, of whom Kentucky furnishes the wealthier and more enterprising. There are no nobler race of men than are the better class of Kentucky farmers, and under the existing state of things there, it is by no means the worst of these, who are emigrating to Illinois. They find no better field for the investment of means, and no more choice opportunities to engage in stock raising than on the prairies of central Illinois. I anticipate a large accession to our State population during the next two years, so would have been added had the present panic been already past, or postponed. Those who leave the East now, are those, who being the most cautious, have held on longest, and are not likely to pass over Illinois without giving our State a thorough examination. The sharper and richer are already to be seen among us, trying to avail themselves of the depreciation in prices, which they rightly judge will, but have not so far, grown out of the present financial troubles.

The fall term of our Circuit Court has been in session during the week. There were 500 cases on the docket. The term occupies the week according to law and business will have to lay over until the spring term, which lasts two weeks. The only case of particular interest on trial was that of Wm. R. Lindsay, who robbed a *la Dick Turpin*, an old man, on the night of the 24 inst. He was caught in Indiana, $1,100 of the money found on his person, he confessed to the officer who captured him where $1,800 more in gold was to be found, together with seven horses. The gold was found, as he said, and the horses, and $2,000 of the $4,000 stolen was recovered. He pleaded guilty but has not been sentenced.

James O. Brayman, I observe, has also pleaded guilty. Mr. John Campbell formerly of this place, who was indicted for an attempt to entice away an important witness in the Brayman case, left here yesterday with his family for Arkansas. He goes to take charge of the Land Department of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad Company, of which he is a director. Mason Brayman, Esq., of Chicago, late President, Mr. Asay, of Chicago, a well known lawyer, is an Attorney of the road, and Mr. Sylvester Bickford, formerly an alderman of Chicago, is one of the leading contractors. Here is a team that will carry the Cairo and Fulton Railroad through and open the people of Arkansas how Railroads are to be built, and how money enough may be made as well as others.

Yours Truly,

A. B. C.

The Outer Edge.

HENRY WARD BEECHER says that the march of civilization leaves hell on its outer edge. We are reminded of this by the vote cast at the recent elections on the confines of Iowa and Minnesota. Throughout the undiscovered portion of Iowa, and along the outskirts of Minnesota, where the Indian prevail over the country, and whisky prevails over the Indians, the Steam-Democracy have achieved signal triumphs. A frontier town, made up of a hundred Sioux or Blackfoot, and a dozen white men, whose occupation is to keep the "native" dead drunk, and themselves moderately so, will not fail to bring in a Democratic majority equal to the emergency, in any important election; and next to the wigwam grading post infidelity to the demagogues, is the phantom city whose map covers a section of land, and whose stalls don't keep the rain out; whose commercial prospects and present population are equally indescribable. As the best Democrat in the world is the Borderer of Missouri, so is the most numerous one the "extreme" of Iowa or Minnesota.

Statement of Articles Exported and Imported During the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1857.

	Quantity.	Value.
Foreign imports of manufactures of wool, free	18,602,000	$8,123,744
Exports of domestic manufactures of wool	3,119	600
Domestic exports of cotton, free of duty	59,203	13,007
Foreign imports of woollen manufactures of		31,304,115
Exports of woollen manufactures		497,486
Foreign imports of cotton manufactures of		28,805,720
Exports of do do		870,800
Foreign imports of manufactures of flax		4,118,117
Exports of do do		
Exports, total	1,280,000	
Imports, total	1,280,000	121,578,552
Foreign imports of iron and steel and manufactures of		29,328,407
Exports of iron and steel and manufactures of		472,910
Foreign imports of hardware, cutlery, and		4,504,107
Foreign import of steel—steel, Germany and other		2,600,214
Exports of steel—steel, Sheffield		37,725
Foreign imports of tin plates		4,000,000
Exports of leather and manufactures of		34,350
Exports of boots and shoes		19,000
Foreign imports of wool, not manufactured		24,750
Foreign imports of cotton, not manufactured		170,750
Foreign imports of hemp, not manufactured		None.
Foreign imports of linen and manufactures of		21,441,145
Exports of linen and manufactures of		32,820
Foreign imports of silk and manufactures of		272,000
Foreign imports of tea		23,000
Foreign imports of coffee		10,000,000
Foreign imports of fruit and nuts		2,500,000
Foreign imports of spices		277,000
Foreign imports of sugar		4,000,000
Foreign imports of molasses		1,500,000
Foreign imports of wine		10,000,000
Imports of hides and skins		277,000
Exports of hides and skins		694,807
Foreign imports of glass manufactures of		1,200,000
Exports of glass manufactures of		30,445
Foreign imports of earthenware		494,807
Foreign imports of China porcelain, earthenware and stone ware		4,867,000
Exports of China porcelain, earthenware and stone ware		37,000
Foreign imports of marble, alabaster, and other stones		54,350
Foreign imports of manufactures of marble, alabaster, and other stones		428,218
Exports of manufactures of marble, alabaster, and other stones		11,671
Foreign imports of metals, free		3,350,000
Foreign imports of metals, not enumerated		56,100
Exports of metals, free		559,000
Exports of metals, not enumerated		19,000
Foreign imports of precious stones		15,000
Foreign imports of wool, not manufactured		34

Special Notices.

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Cook County Court of Common Pleas.
A. Coville vs. William Gardner, Chicago Theatre.
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that Wednesday, the 27th day of October, A. D. 1857, at the hour of 10 o'clock, A. M., at the Chicago Theatre, in said County, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property, to wit: The right, title and interest of said William Gardner, in and to the following described property, to wit: Commencing at the south west corner of Lot 11, in the Canal Trustees' Subdivision of Block 11, in Canal Trustees' Subdivision of Block 11, in Canal Trustees' Subdivision of Block 11, in